

grossed Bills, have carefully compared S. B. No. 52, and find the same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman

TENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Monday, January 25, 1915.

The Senate met at 1 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answered to their name:

Astin.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McGregor.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Morrow.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Page.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Robbins.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

When the roll was first called no quorum was present and on motion of Senator Johnson, the Senate was at ease for a short time, pending the arrival of enough members to complete the quorum.

Prayer by Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

See Appendix for Petitions and Memorials and Standing Committee Reports.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Johnson:

S. B. No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make appropriation to

cover the cost of temporary buildings for the use of the West Texas Normal College at Canyon, Texas, built in June, 1914, and declaring an emergency.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senators Hudspeth, McGregor, Townsend, Harris, Westbrook and Bee:

S. B. No. 134, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the number of employes on all trains of more than five cars, transporting passengers for hire and on all other trains of more than forty cars, and on engines engaged exclusively within yard limits for the purpose of assorting, switching and shunting cars, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Lattimore:

S. B. No. 135, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting permission to Lee Smith, Boyd Neilson, Arley Gilbert, or the parent, parents or legal representative or guardian or guardian ad litem, or next friend of said persons, to bring suit in the district court of Tarrant County, Texas, for the purpose of ascertaining, adjudicating, fixing and establishing claims for damages against said State of Texas, arising out of the injuries received by said Lee Smith, Boyd Neilson, Arley Gilbert, on or about July, 1912, as in said bill set forth and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Lattimore:

S. B. No. 136, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4643, Chapter 1, Title 69, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, adopted at the regular session of the Thirty-second Legislature, relating to injunction, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senators Cowell and Lattimore:

S. B. No. 137, A bill to be entitled "An Act to aid in the collection of unpaid taxes: to forbid and prevent the issuance of tax receipts for current taxes when there are unpaid back taxes, providing penalties and making the law cumulative, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce and Manufactures.

By Senator Bee:

S. B. No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1 to 9 inclusive, of Chapter 117 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-first Legislature, being an Act entitled 'An Act to define and regulate the practice of professional nursing and create a board of nurse examiners for the examination and licensing of nurses and to prescribe their qualifications, to provide for their proper registration and for the revocation of certificates and fix suitable penalties for the violation of this Act,' and Subdivisions 1 to 4 inclusive of Chapter — of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, being an Act entitled 'An Act to amend Sections 1, 3 and 4 of Chapter 117 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-first Legislature,' so as to define and regulate the practice of professional nursing, create a Board of Nurse Examiners for the examination and licensing of nurses, to provide for a seal of said board, provide for the appointment and qualifications of a training school examiner, reduce and provide for registration fees, prescribe the qualifications of trained nurses, to provide for their proper registration and for the revocation of certificates, and fix suitable penalties for the violation of this Act.'"

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Astin:

S. B. No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act to protect the grounds, campus, lawns, fields, roadways, trees, shrubs, flowers, and premises of the Texas educational and eleemosynary institutions against damage by horses, mules, cattle and other livestock; to prohibit the running of stock at large where any of the lands or premises owned by any of the said institutions, providing for the keeping of a pound by the authorities of said institutions and providing for the appointment of a pound keeper; providing for the protection of all game birds and wild birds and wild animals upon land belonging to any of the said Texas institutions; declaring said lands to be a game and wild animal preserve and prohibiting the killing of game

birds or wild birds or wild animals thereon at all seasons; prohibiting the discharge of fire arms upon the lands and premises of any of said institutions except under certain restrictions; providing penalties for the violation of any of the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senator Townsend:

S. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Railroad Commission of Texas to make inquiry into the expenditures of railways for salaries of officials and otherwise and to make such orders as may be necessary to secure economy in the expenses of operating railways in Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Westbrook, by request:

S. B. No. 141, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special and more efficient road system for Collin County, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Senator Wiley:

S. B. No. 142, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting carnal intercourse of a father-in-law with his daughter-in-law; and providing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 2.

By Senator Wiley:

S. B. No. 143, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating marriage in all instances where the return and record of the marriage license has not been made as provided by law; declaring the issue of such cohabitation legitimate, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 2.

By Senators Darwin and Cowell:

S. B. No. 144, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to Negotiable Instruments and to establish a law uniform with such other states as have adopted the Uniform Negotiable Instrument Law; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 1.

By Senator McNealus:

S. B. No. 145, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of a hotel commission, the duties of which are to collect an annual license from each hotel, rooming house, apartment house, and restaurant doing business in the State, and for the purpose of forcing owners and lessees of such business to run same in a sanitary manner and carries an appropriation to maintain the commission."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Senator McNealus:

S. B. No. 146, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the prevention of the unnecessary destruction and extinction within the State of Texas, of foxes, raccoons, minks, skunks, and other fur-bearing animals; and providing appropriate penalties."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Lattimore:

S. B. No. 147, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish, maintain and operate in each county in Texas, a free circulating library for the use of the citizens of such county; to provide for County Library Board, defining their powers and duties, fixing the duties of the county commissioners in the premises, making law operative in various counties when counties have voted same at local option elections, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Robbins:

S. B. No. 148, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize any individual, association or corporation, now or hereafter organized under the laws of this State, including any municipal corporation of this State, engaged in manufacturing, producing, supplying or selling electricity, natural or artificial gas, steam, or water, or owning or operating any street railway system, within any incorporated city or town or village within this State, where the rates charged for such service are subject to regulation under authority of the laws of this State, to lease, sell or otherwise dispose of its entire plant or business, or any part thereof, to any other individual, association or cor-

poration doing or having authority to do a like business in said incorporated city, town or village, upon consent of the city council, board of commissioners, or other governmental body, as the case may be, of said city, town or village being first obtained, and declaring an emergency therefor."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Westbrook:

S. J. R. No. 4: Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the Initiative and Referendum.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Simple Resolution No. 46.

By Senator Clark:

A resolution of highest constitutional privilege: Whereas, Under Section 9 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Texas it becomes necessary at all times that the Senate have a president pro tempore;

Whereas, That office is now vacant by the absence of both the Senator from Montgomery (Nugent), and also by the absence of the Senator from DeWitt (Bailey), who was named President pro tempore ad interim, by order read in open Senate on Friday, January 22, 1915; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate do now proceed to elect by ballot a President pro tempore for the remainder of the regular session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature as required by the Constitution.

Clark. Westbrook. Parr.

The above resolution was read and pending discussion Senator Page made the point of order that Senator Nugent being absent for only a short time that the necessity contemplated by the Constitution, and rules, had not arisen for the election of a successor to him as President Pro Tem.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Hobby) stated that he thought that the matter was one that the Senate should decide and overruled the point of order.

Senator Page then moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules, but on a point of

order by Senator McNealus the motion was held out of order.

Senator Henderson offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend the resolution by striking out all after the word *pro tempore* in next to the last line and add the words "until the President *pro tempore* returns to the Senate."

Senator Clark moved the previous question on the amendment and the resolution, which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered. The amendment was adopted.

Action recurred on the resolution, as amended, and the same was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—9.

Clark.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
McNealus.	Wiley.
Parr.	

Nays—14.

Astin.	Harley.
Bailey of Harris.	Harris.
Bee.	King.
Conner.	Lattimore.
Darwin.	McGregor.
Gibson.	Morrow.
Hall.	Page.

Absent.

Brelsford.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Robbins.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Excused.

On account of important business:
Senator Bailey on DeWitt, indefinitely, on motion of Senator McNealus.

Simple Resolution No. 23.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs to whom was referred Simple Resolution No. 23, endorsing the administration of Woodrow Wilson, together with amendments thereto, have had the same under consider-

ation, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass without amendments.

DARWIN, Chairman.

The above report was read, and Senator Darwin moved that the report be adopted, and Senator McNealus moved, as a substitute, that the report lie on the table subject to call.

Pending discussion Senator McNealus made the point of order that the rules provided that all committee reports had to lie over for one day. The chair sustained the point of order.

Senator Westbrook then moved to suspend the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day.

Senator Lattimore made the point of order the motion was out of order pending the morning call, and the chair sustained the same.

Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 80, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the road law of Shelby County with engrossed riders."

H. B. No. 197, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an emergency appropriation for the maintenance, support and direction of the Agricultural and Mechanical College for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1915."

H. C. R. No. 3: Providing a committee to inspect the Capitol building.

House Bills Read and Referred.

The President (Lieutenant Governor Hobby) had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 80: Referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

H. B. No. 197: Referred to Committee on Finance.

H. C. R. No. 3: Referred to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Simple Resolution No. 47.

By Senator Westbrook:

Be it Resolved by the Senate, That in the future the chairman of each committee of said body, shall require the secretary of said committee to make a daily report to the Journal Clerk upon all bills acted upon by the committee during each day, giving the names and caption, the names of the members of said committees voting for and against each bill and the names of absentees.

Be it further resolved, That the Journal Clerk shall keep a record of the names of the members of each committee voting for and against each bill, the names of absent members and shall have the same printed daily in the Senate Journal.

Suiter, Harris, Townsend, Westbrook, Johnson.

The resolution was read and Senator Astin moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senator Henderson made the point of order that the committee proceedings should not be incorporated in the Journal. The chair overruled the point of order.

Senator Astin then withdrew his motion to refer the resolution.

Action then recurred on the resolution and the same was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—5.

Harris.	Townsend.
Morrow.	Westbrook.
Suiter.	

Nays—16.

Astin.	Henderson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McNealus.
Darwin.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Robbins.
Harley.	Wiley.

Present—Not Voting.

Conner.	Johnson.
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Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Simple Resolution No. 48.

By Senator Townsend:

Whereas, Chapter 2, Articles 195, 196, 197, 198 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas provides rules and regulations governing lobbying, and,

Whereas, there is now upon the calendar a number of bills of great importance to the people of Texas, and,

Whereas, the Senate and all of its committees should have a full, fair and free discussion of all measures before them without illegal interruptions,

Therefore, be it resolved by the Senate,

1. That the public in general be invited to appear before any Senate Committee when it is in session, to the end that such parties may have a hearing upon any matter in which they are interested.

2. That all persons appearing on the floor of the Senate or in any committee room for or against any bill pending before the Legislature shall register their names, address, and the subject matter in which they are interested in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Secretary of the Senate.

3. That in the event that such persons do not register in such book, then the chairman or acting chairman of the committee on State Affairs be and is hereby authorized and empowered, whenever, in the judgment of such committee that any person or persons are lobbying in the Senate or in the committee rooms of the Senate without first registering as aforesaid, to issue process for such person or persons, requiring them to appear before said committee, to be sworn and disclose under oath their names, address, in what subject matter they are interested and what compensation, if any, they have received or are to receive for their services.

TOWNSEND.
SUITER.

The resolution was read second time, and pending discussion, Senator Hall moved that the same be referred to Committee on Rules, and pending further discussion the point of order was raised that the resolution, being an amendment to the rules, would have to be referred to the Committee on Rules.

The Chair overruled the point of order.

Senator Townsend moved, as a substitute for the motion to refer, that the resolution be adopted.

Senator Clark moved the previous question on the resolution which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Bailey of Harris.	McNealus.
Clark.	Parr.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
Lattimore.	Wiley.

Nays—8.

Astin.	Henderson.
Bee.	King.
Hall.	Morrow.
Harris.	Page.

Present—Not Voting.

Conner.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Senator Townsend moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Simple Resolution No. 49.

By Senator Bee:

Be it resolved by the Senate, That Hon. A. W. Houston and Hon. McDonald Meachum, distinguished citizens of the State and former honored members of the body be extended the privileges of the floor of the Senate and invited to address the Senate.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Appointment of Porters.

January 25, 1915.

The Lieutenant Governor announces the appointment of Buck Green

and Green Medearis as porters to take the places of Richard Zalcoffe and Dink Rogers.

W. B. Hobby.

Morning call concluded.

Senate Bill No. 70.

(Pending Business.)

Action here recurred on S. B. No. 70, the pending business, being a bill to reorganize the Fifth Judicial District, creating the Seventy-sixth Judicial District.

Senator Robbins asked unanimous consent to take up a local bill, but there was objection.

Action recurred on the committee report, that the bill be not printed, and it was adopted.

Senator Henderson offered the following amendment, the same being a substitute for the bill: (The reading of the amendment was dispensed with on motion of Senator Johnson.)

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

Section 1. That the Fifth Judicial District of Texas shall be composed of the counties of Bowie and Cass, and the terms of the district court shall be held therein in each year as follows:

In the County of Bowie, beginning on the first Monday in January of each year, and may continue in session for ten weeks.

In the County of Cass, beginning on the tenth Monday after the first Monday in January of each year, and may continue in session for five weeks.

In the County of Bowie, on the fifteenth Monday after the first Monday in January of each year, and may continue in session until the first Monday in September.

In the County of Cass, on the first Monday in September of each year, and may continue in session for five weeks.

In the County of Bowie, on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in September of each year, and may continue in session until the first Monday in January following.

Sec. 2. That the Seventy-sixth Judicial District of Texas shall be composed of the counties of Marion, Morris, Titus and Franklin, and the terms of the district court shall be

held therein in each year as follows:

In the County of Marion, on the first Monday in January and the second Monday in July of each year, and may continue in session six weeks.

In the County of Morris, on the first Monday next following the six weeks terms provided for Marion County, and may remain in session five weeks.

In the County of Titus, on the first Monday next following the five weeks terms provided for Morris County, and may remain in session seven weeks.

In the County of Franklin, on the first Monday next following the seven weeks' terms provided for Titus County, and may remain in session five weeks.

Sec. 3. The district judge and the district attorney of the Fifth Judicial District, elected and now acting for said district, shall hold their respective offices until the term for which they were elected shall expire and their successors are elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 4. The clerks of the district courts of Marion, Morris, Titus and Franklin counties, duly elected and now acting, shall be the clerks of the Seventy-sixth Judicial District, sitting in their respective counties, until the next general election and until their successors are elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 5. The Governor of Texas, immediately upon the taking effect of this Act, shall appoint a suitable and legally qualified person as district judge of the Seventy-sixth Judicial District, who shall hold his office until the next general election and until his successor is elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 6. The Governor of Texas, immediately upon the taking effect of this Act, shall appoint a suitable and legally qualified person as district attorney for the Seventy-sixth Judicial District, who shall hold his office until the next general election and until his successor is elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 7. That all process issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds returnable to the district courts of any of the counties of the said judicial districts, shall be considered as returnable to the said court in accordance with the terms

and provisions as prescribed in this Act, and all such process is hereby legalized, and all grand and petit juries drawn and selected under the existing laws in any of the counties of said judicial districts shall be considered lawfully drawn and selected for the next term of the district court of their respective counties, held after this Act takes effect, and all such processes are hereby legalized and validated; provided, that if any court in any county of said districts shall be in session at the time this Act takes effect, such court or courts affected thereby shall continue in session until the term thereof shall expire under the provisions of existing laws, but thereafter the courts in such counties shall conform to the requirements of this Act.

Sec. 8. The district court of the Seventy-sixth Judicial District shall have such jurisdiction and powers as are conferred by the Constitution and existing laws of the State of Texas, and such as shall hereafter be given by law.

Sec. 9. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. The crowded and congested condition of the dockets of said counties composing said judicial districts, and the want of time for the disposition of said business by the said courts, creates an imperative public necessity and an emergency exists requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, therefore said constitutional rule is hereby suspended and this Act shall take effect from and after the passage hereof, and it is so enacted.

The amendment was adopted.

Senator Suiter offered the following amendment to the bill, the same being a substitute for the bill.

Amend Senate Bill No. 70 by striking out all that part following the enacting clause and substitute therefor the following:

Section 1. That the Fifth Judicial District of Texas shall be composed of the Counties of Bowie and Cass and Marion, and the terms of the district court shall be held therein in each year as follows:

In the County of Bowie, on the first Monday in January and second Monday in July of each year and may remain in session 12 weeks.

In the County of Cass, on the first Mondays next following the terms of court provided for Bowie County and may remain in session five weeks.

In the County of Marion, on the first Mondays next following the terms of court provided for Cass County and may remain in session six weeks.

Sec. 2. That the Seventh Judicial District of Texas shall be composed of the counties of Smith, Van Zandt and Wood, and the terms of the district court shall be held therein in each year as follows:

In the County of Smith, on the first Monday in January and the first Monday in July of each year and may remain in session 12 weeks.

In the County of Van Zandt, on the first Mondays next following the 12-weeks' terms provided for Smith County, and may remain in session six weeks.

In the County of Wood, on the first Mondays next following the six-weeks' terms provided for Van Zandt County, and may remain in session six weeks.

Sec. 3. That the Seventy-eighth Judicial District of Texas shall be composed of the counties of Morris, Titus, Franklin, Camp and Upshur, and the terms of the district court shall be held therein in each year as follows:

In the County of Upshur, on the first Monday in January and the first Monday in July of each year, and may continue in session five weeks.

In the County of Camp, on the first Monday next following the four-weeks' terms provided for Upshur County, and may remain in session three weeks.

In the County of Franklin on the first Mondays next following the three-weeks' terms provided for Camp County and may remain in session four weeks.

In the County of Titus, on the first Mondays next following the four-weeks' terms provided for Franklin County, and may remain in session seven weeks.

In the County of Morris, on the first Mondays next following the seven-weeks' terms provided for Titus County, and may remain in session four weeks.

Sec. 4. The district judge and district attorney of the Fifth Judicial District, elected and now acting for said district, shall hold their re-

spective offices until the terms for which they are elected shall expire and their successors are elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 5. The district attorney of the Seventh Judicial District, elected and now acting for said district, shall hold said office until the term for which he was elected shall expire and his successor is elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 6. The Governor of Texas, immediately upon the taking effect of this Act, shall appoint a suitable and legally qualified person as district judge of the Seventh Judicial District, who shall hold his office until the next general election and until his successor is elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 7. The Governor of Texas, immediately upon the taking effect of this Act, shall appoint a suitable and legally qualified person as district judge of the Seventy-eighth Judicial District, who shall hold his office until the next general election and until his successor is elected and duly qualified, and shall also appoint a suitable and legally qualified person as district attorney for the Seventy-eighth Judicial District, who shall hold his office until the next general election and until his successor is elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 8. That all process issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the district courts of any of the counties of said judicial districts, shall be considered as returnable to the said court in accordance with the terms and provisions as prescribed in this Act, and all such process is hereby legalized and validated; and all grand and petit juries drawn and selected under the existing laws in any of the counties in said judicial districts, shall be considered lawfully drawn and selected for the next term of the district court of their respective counties, held after this Act takes effect, and all such process are hereby legalized and validated; provided that if any court in any county of said districts shall be in session at the time this Act takes effect, such court or courts affected thereby, shall continue in session until the term thereof shall expire under the provisions of existing laws, but thereafter the courts in such counties shall conform to the requirements of this Act.

Sec. 9. The district court of the Seventy-eighth Judicial District shall have such jurisdiction and powers as are conferred by the Constitution and existing laws of the State of Texas, upon district courts and such as shall hereafter be given by law.

Sec. 10. The clerks of the district courts of the counties of Upshur, Camp, Franklin, Titus and Morris, duly elected and now acting shall be the clerks of the district courts in the Seventy-eighth Judicial District, sitting in their respective counties until the next general election and until their successors are elected and duly qualified.

Sec. 11. All laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. The crowded and congested conditions of the dockets of said counties composing said judicial districts, and the want of time for the disposition of said business by the said courts, creates an imperative public necessity and an emergency exists requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days. Therefore, said constitutional rule is hereby suspended and this Act shall take effect from and after the passage hereof, and it is so enacted.

SUITER.

Senator Henderson moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Astin.	Gibson.
Bailey of Harris.	Harris.
Bee.	Henderson.
Conner.	McNealus.
Darwin.	Page.

Nays—9.

Clark.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
Parr.	Wiley.
Robbins.	

Present—Not Voting.

Hall.	Lattimore.
King.	Morrow.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Henderson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 70 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Astin.	Johnson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Conner.	McNealus.
Darwin.	Morrow.
Gibson.	Page.
Hall.	Parr.
Harley.	Robbins.
Harris.	Townsend.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Nays—3.

Clark.	Westbrook.
Suiter.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Astin.	Johnson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Morrow.
Darwin.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Robbins.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Wiley.
Henderson.	

Nays—2.

Suiter.	Westbrook.
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Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Senator Henderson moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 70 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 113.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 113, "An Act creating a local road law for Henderson County, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Robbins, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, and S. B. No. 113 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	Hall.
Bailey of Harris.	Harley.
Bee.	Harris.
Clark.	Henderson.
Conner.	Johnson.
Darwin.	King.
Gibson.	Lattimore.
McNealus.	Suiter.
Morrow.	Townsend.
Page.	Westbrook.
Parr.	Wiley.
Robbins.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	Henderson.
Bailey of Harris.	Johnson.
Bee.	King.
Clark.	Lattimore.
Conner.	McNealus.
Darwin.	Morrow.
Gibson.	Page.
Hall.	Parr.
Harley.	Robbins.
Harris.	Suiter.

Townsend.	Wiley.
Westbrook.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Senator Robbins moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 113 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 6.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading and regular order,

S. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes of 1911, by adding thereto Articles 1494a, 1494b, 1494c, 1494d, 1494e, 1494f, 1494g, 1494h, and 1494i, so as to place the finances of all improvement, navigation, bridges, road or irrigation districts, and all other districts that are now in existence by authority of law, or that may hereafter be created, under the control and supervision of the county auditor, in all counties in which there now exists a county auditor, or in which a county auditor may hereafter be created, and providing for the filing, auditing and approving by him of all bills of said districts, and providing the method of drawing and paying said warrants, and providing for the prescribing of all necessary forms and the supervision by the auditor of the various funds of said districts, and the investment thereof, providing for the checking of all reports by the auditor and the filing of reports by the auditor, and the keeping of books for said districts, and the receipt of money by the treasurer for said districts, and the inspection of all books and accounts by the auditor, and regulating the taking of bids for all supplies, material, labor, etc., and providing for compensation to be paid to the auditor, and authorizing the appointment of assistants to the auditor, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Bailey of Harris offered the following several amendments,

which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

(1) "Amend the caption of the bill, page 1, line 12, by adding after the word counties, the words, 'Containing a population of one hundred and ten thousand or more, as shown by the United States census of 1910.'

(2) "Amend the bill, page 4, line 4, by striking out the figures 75,000, and inserting in lieu thereof 110,000."

(3) "Amend the bill, page three (3), line thirty (30), by adding after the word counties, the words 'having a population of one hundred and ten thousand or more, as shown by the United States census of 1910.'

(4) "Amend the bill, page 4, line 6, by striking out 75,000, and inserting in lieu thereof '110,000.'

(5) "Amend the bill, page 1, line 28, by adding after the word counties, the following:

(6) "Containing a population of 110,000 or more, as shown by the United States census of 1910."

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bailey of Harris, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, and S. B.

No. 6 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	Johnson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Morrow.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	Page.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	Johnson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Morrow.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	Page.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 6 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 16.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring hotels, cafes, restaurants and all public eating houses in this State to sterilize in hot boiling water all plates, cups, saucers, knives, forks, spoons and such other utensils as may be used in serving meals and drinks after being used and before permitting them to be used again, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Westbrook offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill, on page 1, by adding after the word "again," in line 17, the following:

"Provided that the water in which said eating utensils are sterilized shall be changed every two hours."

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Westbrook, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and S. B. No. 16 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Astin.	Bailey of Harris.
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Bee.	Johnson.
Clark.	King.
Conner.	McNealus.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Nay—1.

Lattimore.

Present—Not Voting.

Morrow.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	Page.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Astin.	Clark.
Bailey of Harris.	Conner.
Bee.	Darwin.
Gibson.	McNealus.
Hall.	Parr.
Harley.	Robbins.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
King.	Wiley.

Nay—1.

Lattimore.

Present—Not Voting.

Morrow.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	Page.

; Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Excused.

On account of sickness,
Senator Cowell, for today and in-
definitely, on motion of Senator
Johnson.

Senate Bill No. 18.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate,
on second reading,

S. B. No. 18, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to amend Article 3878 of
An Act entitled 'Fees of Notaries
Public, Chapter 3, Title 58, of the
Revised Civil Statutes of Texas,
1911,' fixing fees of notaries public
for protesting bills or notes, issuing
notices, giving certificates, taking
acknowledgments, making copies, tak-
ing depositions and administering
oaths."

Senator Lattimore offered the fol-
lowing amendment:

Amend the bill, line 28, by strik-
ing out figures "25," and insert fig-
ures "50."

The amendment was read, and
Senator Hall moved to table the
same, which motion was lost by the
following vote:

Yeas—8.

Darwin.	Morrow.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
King.	Wiley.

Nays—14.

Astin.	Henderson.
Bailey of Harris.	Johnson.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Harris.	Westbrook.

Present—Not Voting.

Robbins.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Hudspeth.	Nugent.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt.	Smith.
Cowell.	

The amendment was then adopted.
The bill was read second time,
and passed to engrossment.

Senate Bill No. 36.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate,
on second reading,

S. B. No. 36, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Seventy-fourth Judicial District, to be composed of Wichita County; to prescribe its jurisdiction and fix its terms; to conform all writs and process of said court and of the Thirtieth Judicial District for Wichita County to such changes as are made by the provisions of this Act; to empower the judges of the Thirtieth Judicial District and the Seventy-fourth Judicial District to transfer causes from their respective courts to the other district court of Wichita County as herein provided; to provide for the appointment of a district judge for the Seventy-fourth Judicial District until the next general election, and to fix his salary; to provide that no grand juries shall be impaneled for this court unless by special order of the judge thereof, and providing that he shall have the authority to recall and reorganize the grand jury of the Thirtieth District Court for Wichita County; to provide for the arrangement of the dockets of the two district courts for Wichita County; to provide that the clerk of the district court of Wichita County shall be the clerk of this court; to provide that all original cases in this court shall be prosecuted by the district attorney of the Thirtieth Judicial District, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Senator Johnson offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out the words "seventy-four" wherever they occur, and insert the words "seventy-eight" in lieu thereof."

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Johnson, the constitutional rule requiring bill to be read on three several days was suspended, and S. B. No. 36 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Morrow.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Harley.	Suiter.

Townsend.	Harris.
Westbrook.	Henderson.
Wiley.	Johnson.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Hall.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.
Cowell.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Morrow.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Senator Johnson moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 36 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Simple Resolution No. 50.

By Senator Bee:

Be it Resolved, That the Senate of Texas cordially endorses the wise and statesmanlike administration of the great President of the United States, Honorable Woodrow Wilson, and sends to them our greetings and best wishes in their patriotic endeavors in behalf of the people of this Nation, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States and the Senators and Representatives in Congress from Texas.

Bee, Lattimore, Page, Gibson, Darwin, Astin, Robbins, King, Clark, Harley, Bailey of Harris, Harris, Parr, Hall, Henderson, Suiter, Johnson, Westbrook.

On the motion to adopt the resolution, Senator Bee moved the previous question, which being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	Johnson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	Morrow.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Nay—1.

McNealus.

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Reasons for Voting.

My reasons for voting no, on the above resolution, are based on the financial policies of the National administration. These have violated every principle and precedent of the Democratic party of more than one hundred years. The Democratic party has always opposed the principle and policy of giving power to private financiers to conduct the banking business and control the currency affairs of this Government, whenever the party has spoken authoritatively. The banking business, under the Democratic party's theory, since the foundation of the republic, should be conducted by private parties, and limited to deposits and discount. The issue of currency, under the Democratic party's theory, is absolutely a function of government, and in no wise a private privilege or right. The financial policy of the Wilson administration has made

stronger the Republican policies of finance than did any Republican administration in the history of the Government. Before the financial policy of the Wilson administration was put in operation, the financiers of the country were strongly entrenched between the people and their Government. At this time, under the Democratic administration's operation of its financial policy, the financiers have been placed in a stronger position between the people and the people's Government than ever before. The people of the United States, and particularly the Democratic party, had reason to expect that the administration at Washington would reverse the unjust Republican policy and place the people between their Government and the financiers. Instead of doing this, the policy of the administration has been highly beneficial and satisfactory to the kings of high finance, and correspondingly oppressive of the producing and consuming masses of the country. Although, in the operation of the Federal reserve bank system, the Government does issue the currency, it does practically surrender to the banks the right to say when it can be used. In other words, the people can not ask for the use of emergency currency in times of distress and want, but the Government has given over to the banks the power to keep the emergency currency from being put into circulation until the banks make request for it. No effort has been made to put a real Democratic financial policy in close touch with the people who are in need of financial relief, but the administration has put into the hands of private parties and financiers, the power to enable them to obtain a higher rate of interest, when re-discounting paper and other collateral, than was the case before the establishment of the Federal reserve bank system. Other unfavorable features in the banking system could be cited, but this much of the administration's policy is enough to justify any brass-collared, never-scratch-a-ticket Democrat in voting no, on the above resolution. In 1896, the Democratic platform on which W. J. Bryan was nominated for President, contained a plank declaring against the existence of banks of charter and issue. Woodrow Wilson, at that time, bolted the Democratic party, principally because of that plank,

and voted against the Democratic nominee. I would be glad to vote for a resolution giving simple endorsement of the National administration in general terms, but can not so strain my convictions on the financial question as to vote for all of the acts of the administration. Whenever I reach the conclusion that the financial policy of the Wilson administration is deserving of endorsement, I will then be ready to applaud every financial policy the Republican party has put in force since 1862, when the National bank act was signed by Abraham Lincoln; an act in striking contrast to the veto of the United States bank act, one-third of a century earlier, by that sterling representative of true democracy, President Andrew Jackson. What was good Democratic financial doctrine in Andrew Jackson's time, can not be bad Democratic doctrine in the National administrative days of Woodrow Wilson.

J. C. McNEALUS,
State Senator, Sixth District.

Senate Bill No. 86.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 86, A bill to be entitled "An Act to fix and define the limitation of time wherein suit for taxes may be brought and to declare that taxes for the recovery of which suit is not brought in such time shall be conclusively presumed to have been paid, and to forbid any action therefor, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Conner, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and S. B. No. 86 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	Gibson.
Bailey of Harris.	Hall.
Bee.	Harley.
Clark.	Harris.
Conner.	Henderson.
Darwin.	King.

Lattimore.	Robbins.
McNealus.	Suiter.
Morrow.	Townsend.
Page.	Westbrook.
Parr.	Wiley.

Absent.

Brelsford.	Johnson.
Cowell.	McGregor.
Hudspeth.	Nugent.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Morrow.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused:

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 86 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 99.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 99, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 22, Chapter 67, of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, which was approved March 13, 1911, relating to the salary of assistant appointed by the criminal district attorney of said county so as to provide for the salary of such assistants appointed by and for said attorney, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bailey of Harris, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, and S. B. No. 99 put on its third and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Morrow.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Hudspeth.	Nugent.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt.	Smith.
Cowell.	

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Morrow.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Hudspeth.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt.	Smith.
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Senator Bailey of Harris moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 99 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 42.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 42, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5558 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to the disposition of funds of improvement districts for the construction of levees to prevent overflows."

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Lattimore, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended and S. B. No. 42 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	Harley.
Bailey of Harris.	Harris.
Bee.	Henderson.
Clark.	Johnson.
Conner.	King.
Darwin.	Lattimore.
Gibson.	McNealus.
Hall.	Morrow.
Page.	Townsend.
Parr.	Westbrook.
Robbins.	Wiley.
Suiter.	

Absent.

Brelsford.	McGregor.
Hudspeth.	Nugent.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt.	Smith.
Cowell.	

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Astin.	Johnson.
Bailey of Harris.	King.
Bee.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Morrow.
Darwin.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Robbins.
Harley.	Suiter.
Harris.	Townsend.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Nay—1.

Westbrook.

Absent.

Brelsford. McGregor.
Hudspeth. Nugent.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.
Cowell.

Senator Lattimore moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 42 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Robbins, the Senate, at 5:50 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 1:30 o'clock p. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.**Petitions and Memorials.**

Senator Johnson offered a numerous signed petition endorsing pending bill amending law relating to liens of materialmen and workmen.

Senator Henderson offered telegrams from Williams Bros. and Irwin Bros., of Daingerfield, and Eugene Myer of Jefferson, soliciting support of S. B. No. 79.

Senator McNealus offered a similar telegram from R. D. Harris of Dallas.

Senator Clark offered a letter from A. M. Rhodes of Dallas, favoring the abolition of the State Fire Insurance Commission.

Committee Reports.**Committee Room,**

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 2, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 44, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for a Senator or Representative-elect to receive employment, fees, gifts, loans or compensation as officer, agent, representative or attorney from certain corporations or persons, and prescribing penalties therefor, and creating an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am requested to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CONNER, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 2, to whom was referred.

S. B. No. 24, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 548, Chapter 4, Title 11, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am requested to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CONNER, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judiciary No. 2, having had S. B. No. 11 under consideration, beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment:

By adding at the end of Article 1120, the following:

"Provided, further, that in any district composed of two counties or more, and where the court in said district extends over a period of four weeks, said district attorney may file his account, as hereinabove provided, either at the end of the term of said court or at the expiration of the first four weeks thereof; said account to be approved by the district judge, as hereinabove provided, and the Comptroller shall issue warrant for the same upon presentation."

And by striking out "170 days" wherever it appears, and inserting in lieu thereof "150 days."

CONNER, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 2, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 124, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 915, Title 10, of the Code of Criminal Proceed-

ure of the State of Texas; providing that an appeal may be taken in criminal cases by giving notice thereof in open court, and having the same entered of record, by adding thereto a provision that if notice is given and the order is not entered of record at the term at which the case was tried, the court in term time or vacation may enter an order requiring the notice to be entered of record nunc pro tunc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am requested to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CONNER, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 60, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, records, letters, documents, papers, securities, and count the cash of all State institutions and departments, and of all State, district, county and precinct offices in this State; defining the duties of Comptroller of Public Accounts, and of certain State, district, county and precinct officers; providing for the employment of special agents, and prescribing qualifications, and providing for the payment of expenses; fixing salaries; providing for the collection of moneys in certain instances; providing penalties; making an appropriation; repealing laws and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

DARWIN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 131, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5475 of Title 80, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911," by adding thereto the following:

"Provided, however, that this Ar-

ticle shall not apply in any way or in any case where any person leases or rents lands or tenements at will or for a term of years for agricultural purposes where the same is cultivated by the tenant who furnishes everything except the land and where the landlord charges rental of more than one-third of the value of the grain, or more than one-fourth of the value of the cotton, raised on the said land; and any contract for the leasing or renting of lands or tenements at will or for a term of years for agricultural purposes stipulating or fixing a higher or greater rental than that herein provided for, shall be null and void, and shall not be enforceable in any court in this State by any action either at law or in equity and no lien of any kind, either contractual or statutory, shall attach in favor of the landlord, his estate or assigns, upon any of the property named, nor for the purpose mentioned in this Article; and provided, further, that if any landlord or person for him shall violate or attempt to evade any of the provisions of this Article by collecting or receiving a greater amount of rent for such land, than herein provided shall be collected or received by him upon any contract, either written or verbal, the tenant or person paying the same, or the legal representative thereof, may, by an action of debt instituted in any court of this State, having jurisdiction thereof, in the county of defendant's residence, or in the county where such rents or money shall have been received or collected, or where said contract may have been entered into, or where the party or parties paying the same resided when such contract was made, within two years after such payment, recover from the person, firm or corporation receiving the same, double the amount of such rent or money so received or collected."

Have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

ASTIN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 55, "An Act creating a

State Highway Department and establishing a State Highway Commission."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report it back favorably to the Senate, with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended and be printed.

HENDERSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 3, Title 87, of the Revised Statutes of 1911, by adding thereto Article 5715, excluding the time intervening between the time of filing and the time of the dismissal of cases for want of jurisdiction, in the computation of time in which suit may be instituted in such cases,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MORROW, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2386, Revised Statutes, 1911, and providing seal for justice court, and adding Article 2386a,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MORROW, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 82, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 7695 and 7697, Title 126, Revised Statutes, 1911, by prescribing conditions on which land and interest in land may

be redeemed by delinquent tax payers,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MORROW, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 25, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 33, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the incorporating of co-operative market associations; providing for the organization of co-operative marketing associations; prescribing duties of the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking; defining the business of a co-operative marketing association; providing for the general administration of co-operative marketing associations; providing for the appointment of examiners to examine said associations; imposing certain restrictions on the business of co-operative marketing; creating a guaranty fund providing for liquidation of co-operative marketing associations; providing for the issuance of participating certificates to be issued by co-operative marketing associations; providing penalties; repealing all laws in conflict and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MORROW, Chairman.

Enrollment Committee Report.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 47 and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day at 3:26 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Chairman.